Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

<u>Listing of Claims:</u>

Claims 1-13 (Canceled).

14. (Previously Presented) A method, comprising:

placing a sampling device in contact with a non-digit body part;

creating an incision in the non-digit body part with the sampling device; and

testing body fluid on the surface of the non-digit body part from the incision with the

sampling device while the sampling device remains in contact with the non-digit body part.

15. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, further comprising sampling the

body fluid from the incision with the sampling device before said testing.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein said sampling the body

fluid includes drawing fluid into a capillary in the sampling device via capillary action.

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 16, wherein said testing includes

analyzing the body fluid with a test strip disposed along the capillary.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein said sampling includes:

moving a capillary from a first position where the capillary is displaced from the skin to a

second position where the capillary is adjacent the skin while the sampling device remains in

contact with the skin; and

drawing the body fluid from the incision into the capillary via capillary action.

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19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, further comprising said testing includes analyzing the body fluid with a test strip disposed at an end of the sampling device proximal the skin.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 14, further comprising wherein the non-digit body part is an earlobe or a limb.

Claims 21-85 (Canceled).

86. (New) A method, comprising:

positioning a lancing device in contact with an alternate site, wherein the lancing device houses a disposable that includes a lancet and a test strip;

forming an incision in the alternate site with the lancet of the disposable; and analyzing the body fluid from the incision with the test strip of the disposable.

87. (New) The method of claim 86, further comprising: expressing the body fluid from the incision with the lancing device before said analyzing.

88. (New) The method of claim 87, further comprising: wherein the lancing device includes a stimulator member; and wherein said expressing includes pressing the stimulator member around the incision.

89. (New) The method of claim 86, further comprising: removing the disposable from the lancing device after said analyzing; discarding the disposable after said removing; and loading a fresh disposable into the lancing device.

90. (New) The method of claim 86, further comprising: wherein the disposable includes a capillary; and drawing the body fluid into the test strip via the capillary before said analyzing.

91. (New) The method of claim 86, further comprising:

detecting a drop of the body fluid from the incision is sufficient for said analyzing with a drop sensing mechanism in the lancing device.

92. (New) The method of claim 91, further comprising:

alerting a user of drop sufficiency with the lancing device.

93. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein said detecting the drop includes

electrically detecting the drop.

94. (New) The method of claim 91, wherein said detecting the drop includes

optically detecting the drop.

95. (New) The method of claim 86, wherein said analyzing includes analyzing the

body fluid using an optical technique.

96. (New) The method of claim 86, wherein said analyzing includes analyzing the

body fluid using an electrochemical technique.

97. (New) The method of claim 86, wherein the alternate site includes a limb.

98. (New) The method of claim 86, wherein the lancing device remains in contact

with the alternate site during said forming and said analyzing.

99. (New) A method, comprising:

placing a stimulator sleeve of a lancing device against a region of skin where nerve density is low and supply of body fluid is low, wherein the lancing device houses a first disposable that includes a lancet and a test strip;

cutting an incision in the skin at the region with the lancet of the first disposable;

expressing the body fluid from the incision with the stimulator sleeve;

drawing the body fluid into the test strip from the surface of the skin while the stimulator sleeves remains in contact with the skin;

analyzing the body fluid from the incision with the test strip of the first disposable;

discarding the first disposable after said analyzing; and

loading a second disposable into the lancing device after said discarding the first disposable.

100. (New) The method of claim 99, further comprising:

detecting drop sufficiency of the body fluid with a drop detection mechanism in the lancing device before said drawing.

101. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein said expressing includes pressing the stimulator sleeve against the skin.

102. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein the region of the skin where nerve density is low and supply of body fluid is low is an earlobe or a limb.